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THE PROBABILITY.

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Toronto, March 7.—10 a. m.—Westerly winds, fine weather. Thursday easterly and south easterly winds, moderately cold, fair at first followed by light snow.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Uncle Tom's Cabin to-night.
There was no produce on the market to speak of to-day. Enough vegetables to meet the demand were offered for sale by one or two lone gardeners. In the shed there was a scanty supply of butter and eggs, butter selling at 20c. a pound and eggs at 18c. a dozen.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Hannah Cole took place this afternoon from the residence of her son-in-law, Wm. Carlyle, Edgar St., Maple Leaf Cemetery. The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Hampton. The pall-bearers were: Warren Martin, W. L. G. Snell, Daniel Jordan, E. Putnam, J. A. Wilson and John Munro.

CHILDREN'S AID.
The advisory board of the Children's Aid Society held its regular meeting in the Sunday school hall of Christ church yesterday afternoon, there being a large attendance present. The executive officer, Dr. V. V. Bray, presented his monthly report, showing an amount of work accomplished during February. The society has now two children, a boy and a girl, for whom they are desirous of obtaining good homes. The special committee reported that they had rented a residence on Stanley avenue for one year as a shelter and had secured the services of a matron. The president, secretary and executive officer were appointed a committee to superintend the general internal management of the shelter.

ANOTHER PATRIOTIC CONCERT.
Miss May Colles' patriotic concert given at the Townshipp hall on Friday evening was a great success. Her pupils in costumes of "red white and blue" did themselves great credit by their cleverness in choruses and fancy drills. S. Hancock, of Ridgeway, made a capital "stump speech" and if the Boer shells could only bring down the house as Mr. Hancock did, Lady Smith would have been annihilated long ago. Vocal solos were excellently rendered by S. Hancock and F. E. Schwenker, of Ridgeway; D. Reid, F. Fleming and J. McKee, of Bothwell; and by Miss Pearl Lidster and Miss Ida Colles. The concert was frequent and president Mrs. McManus, of Bothwell, presided. Arthur Green with a grand company of young men in uniform gave exhibitions of military tactics, and in command placed himself around only to Hobs himself. The whole affair was a great success and precision hit the great movements, showing that Kent county takes to soldiering as naturally as young ducks do to swimming. A number of clever and appropriate tableaux were put on, representing the Boer soldiers in camp, etc. The audience showed their appreciation and their patriotic spirit in an untiring manner. Ex-Warrior Leverton filled the chair in his usual happy style and he publicly thanked Miss Colles for the spirit and executive ability she had shown in presenting so clever and entertaining The proceeds, between \$10 and \$50, were handed to Arthur Green to be forwarded to Major Rankin towards the patriotic fund.



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A SLANDER NAILED.
To The Planet.—In a letter published yesterday in the Planet by Messrs. Thibodeau & Jacques in reference to malicious slanders against their loyalty to Her Majesty and to the cause of Britain in the Transvaal I deem it my duty in justice to them and to myself to make it known that my name has been falsely used by slanderers and that I have never heard from them or any one in their store anything against Britain or Britain's cause in the Transvaal nor did I refuse to complete a purchase in their store as falsely reported. Moreover, I am pleased to say that I have received courteous and gentlemanly treatment when I had occasion to enter their store.

ISABELLA GLENN.
Chatham, Mar. 7, 1900.

THE WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The adjourned meeting of the water commissioners was held last evening, there being present the chairman, Dr. J. L. Bray, and Commissioner W. D. Sheldon.

The following accounts were presented and passed:—G. W. Cowan, \$1.40; Fred Wood, \$7.70; McKeough & Trotter, \$21.49; Doherty Mfg. Co., \$3.60; Thomson Motor Co., \$1.35; O. W. Shipman Co., \$131.88.

Renewals of plumbers' licenses were granted upon application to Watt & Sons, Westman Bros., J. A. Morton, John McKay, J. C. Wanless and F. Stinson.

A communication was read from the Public school board asking for a flat rate instead of a meter, as at present. Allowed to stand.

The Sec-Treas. presented the cash statement for February, showing receipts of \$424.09, and expenditure of \$770.96.

The matter of purchasing oil for the use of the electric station was left in the hands of the superintendent.

Concerning the arrangements for paying substitute engineers at the station no action was taken, awaiting a full meeting of the board.

THE MONTREAL RIOTS.

The Government Questioned in the Imperial House of Commons.
London, March 6.—Questioned in House of Commons to-day, regarding the students' disturbances at Montreal, Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, said he regretted the "unfortunate riots," and briefly recounted the occurrences, saying he was happy to add that a telegram yesterday evening showed their cessation.

A BIG FIRE.
Philadelphia, March 7.—A fire engulfing an estimated loss of over \$600,000 occurred early to-day in the retail dry goods district. Some 1,500 persons are out of employment.

An inquest was held at Montreal on Henry Roman, who was killed by a shovel in the hands of his neighbor, Remi Arbour, during a dispute about snow-clearing, and a verdict of justifiable homicide returned.

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